

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT:

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE A.K.JAYASANKARAN NAMBIAR

MONDAY, THE 8TH DAY OF JUNE 2015/18TH JYAISHTA, 1937

WP(C).No. 16994 of 2015 (Y)

PETITIONER(S):

**K.N.RAVICHANDRAN, AGED 50 YEARS,
HEADMASTER-IN-CHARGE, H.S KATAMPAZHIPPURAM, PALAKKAD**

**BY ADVS.SRI.PHILIP J.VETTICKATTU
SRI.B.PREMNATH (E)**

RESPONDENT(S):

- 1. STATE OF KERALA
REPRESENTED BY THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
GENERAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM 695 001**
- 2. THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,
JAGATHY, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM 695 014**
- 3. THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION,
PALAKKAD 678 001**
- 4. THE DISTRICT EDUCATIONAL OFFICER,
MANNARKKAD 678 582**
- 5. THE MANAGER,
H.S KATAMPAZHIPPURAM
MANNARKKAD EDUCATIONAL DISTRICT, PALAKKAD 678 001**

R BY GOVERNMENT PLEADER SMT.RAJSREE M.J.

**THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON
08-06-2015, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE
FOLLOWING:**

APPENDIX

PETITIONER(S)' EXHIBITS

EXT.P1: TRUE COPY OF THE RODER DATED 1-7-2014 ASSUMING CHARGE OF THE 5TH RESPONDENT BY THE 4TH RESPONDENT

EXT.P2: TRUE COPY OF THE REPORT OF TRANSFER OF CHARGE DT 31-05-2014 AVAILING LEAVE W.E.F 2-6-2014 TO 29-09-2014 BY SMT. R.PADMINI

EXT.P3: TRUE COPY OF THE REMINDER DATED 23-06-2014 SENT TO THE DISTRICT EDUCATIONAL OFFICER, OTTAPALAM

EXT.P4: TRUE COPY OF REPORT OF TRANSFER DT 30-09-2014 TAKING VOLUNTARY RETIREMENT BY SMT. R.PADMINI

EXT.P5: TRUE COPY OF THE REPRESENTATION D T 1-10-2014 BY THE PETITIONER TO THE 4TH RESPONDENT

EXT.P6: TRUE COPY OF THE REPRESENTATION D T 23-1-2015 TO THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

EXT.P7: TRUE COPY OF INTIMATION FROM THE OFFICE OF THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

EXT.P8: TRUE COPY OF REPRESENTATION DATED 2-4-2015 FILED BEFORE THE RESPONDENTS 1 TO 4 BY THE PETITIONER

EXT.P9: TRUE COPY OF THE RODER DATED 13-6-2014 PASSED BY THE DISTRICT EDUCATIONAL OFFICER, MANNARCAUDE

RESPONDENT(S)' EXHIBITS: NIL.

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P.S. TO JUDGE

A.K.JAYASANKARAN NAMBIAR, J.

W.P.(C).NO.16994 OF 2015 (Y)

Dated this the 8th day of June, 2015

J U D G M E N T

The petitioner, who claims to be the senior most High School Assistant in the Katampazhippuram High School, Palakkad, is presently working as Headmaster in charge of the said School. It is stated that the petitioner was put in charge as Headmaster with effect from 30.9.2004 when the regular Headmistress applied for voluntary retirement from service [VRS] and went on leave. The application for VRS put up by the regular Headmistress was accepted by the District Educational Officer with effect from 30.9.2014. It is the case of the petitioner that, he, being the senior most has, is entitled now to be promoted as Headmaster. The petitioner has preferred Exts.P6 and P8 representations before the 2nd respondent seeking redressal of his grievance with regard to the appointment as Headmaster. In the writ petition, the limited prayer of the petitioner is for a direction to the 2nd respondent to consider and pass orders on Exts.P6 and P8 representations, within a stipulated time frame.

2. I have heard the learned counsel for the petitioner as also the Government Pleader for the respondents.

On a consideration of the facts and circumstances of the case as also the submissions made across the bar, I dispose the writ petition with a direction to the 2nd respondent to consider and pass orders on Exts.P6 and P8 representations preferred by the petitioner before him, within a period of one month from the date of receipt of a copy of this judgment, after hearing the petitioner.

A.K.JAYASANKARAN NAMBIAR
JUDGE

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